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Susan Thomas-Past-Present-Future Legislative updates and actions.	<p>testing, and is consistent with Missouri recommendations. Suggestions for updates were made by Lisa Schutzenhofer and James Robnett.</p> <p>Susan updated everyone on the resignation of Dr. D. Pelikan, the physician who was on the committee. She asked that any suggestions for a new physician be submitted to ThomaS@dhss.mo.gov</p> <p>Susan gave an update on testing plan area changes completed in August 2004. Highlights of changes included the designation of High Risk zip codes in St. Louis Co., Kansas City, Jackson Co., Iron Co. and Reynolds Co. Susan also discussed the blood lead testing county data from calendar year 2003. Letters were mailed to physicians and child care facilities with updated testing requirements. A lot of education is currently being done by local health departments.</p>	<p>Copies of Draft Attached. All other suggestions should be forwarded to Kim Crafton at CraftK@dhss.mo.gov By November 12th 2004.</p>
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Lead Poisoning Elimination Planning- Jeanine Arrighi and Susan Thomas	<p>Susan Jenkins explained that DHSS has put in a decision item to fund health educators who would work with Medicaid and provide office visits to educate health care providers on testing requirements. Colleen suggested working with other states to educate health care providers close to state lines. All in attendance voted and agreed that the idea of health educators providing office visits to health care providers was good and the committee would support. Pat suggested that Medicaid be asked to help fund these educators.</p> <p>Jeanine from St. Louis City spoke on the St. Louis City Lead Elimination Plan. They established their own web site for data tracking, grants, etc. www.leadsafestlouis.org. HUD granted three million dollars in renewal for lead hazard control, along with another four million in a new lead hazard remediation demonstration grant. The City is working toward a lead safe housing registry. The goal is for half the housing in St. Louis to be on the registry by 2008.</p>	DHSS will work with Medicaid to explore the possibility of sharing funding sources.
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<p>Patty Osman-</p>	<p>Susan reported on the progress of the visual lead assessment program. The training being developed by St. Louis University, should be available in CD ROM and web based, as well as available to take around the state for group trainings.</p> <p>Susan asked the committee to appoint a subgroup to help determine the need for a Lead Safe/Free Registry.</p>	<p>Mary K. Matalone, Jeanine Arrighi, Joe Binbeautel, and Tom Mangogna, volunteered for Subgroup. Susan will ask others if needs arise.</p>
<p>DNR/DHSS Collaborations- Dave Mosby and Cherri Baysinger</p>	<p>Gave an overview/update of the transition of lead data from STELLAR to MOHSAIC. She also updated the committee on the CDC Enviromental Tracking grant activities.</p>	
<p>Attorney Generals Office update-Joe Binbeautel-</p>	<p>DNR and DHSS staff gave an update on current activities related to lead mining and smelting in MO. They provided a history on lead mining, and discussed past and current sites. Sites included: Jasper, Newton, Lawrence, St. Francois and Madison County. Sites also have been noted in Herculaneum, Annapolis, Viburnum and Indian Creek. DNR has also received funding to do an inventory on former lead mining and smelting sites throughout Missouri.</p> <p>Reported on the Mo. Attorney General's Suit against the EPA. The Suit charges that EPA has not fulfilled its duty to review Ambient Air Quality</p>	

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Topics and Concerns of Committee. Leslie Warden-	standards. Discussed concerns with a special education program opening up in Herculaneum without having received lead education and community background before opening.	Susan Thomas said she would try to determine if this is a licensed facility.
Gil Copley- Opened the meeting for public comment	No comment.	